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PASS AGRICULTURE

ROME PASS TO GARY SEEVERS IN AMBASSADOR EBERLE'S DELEGATION

E.O. 11652: ADS, DECLAS 12-1-74

TAGS: EAGR, EEC

SUBJECT: BROILER EXPORT SUBSIDY TO BE REMOVED

REF: A. EC BRUSSELS 6091 B. EC A-280 C. EC BRUSSELS 7745

1. ON OCTOBER 9, EC COMMISSIONER FOR AGRICULTURE LARDINOIS ASKED  
MEMBERS OF AMBASSADOR EBERLE'S PARTY TO INFORM SECRETARY BUTZ THAT  
THE COMMUNITY EXPORT SUBSIDY OF 11 U.A. /100 KG. ON BROILERS (REFTELS)

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WILL BE ELIMINATED

AS OF NOVEMBER 1. WE WERE ASKED TO KEEP THIS INFORMATION IN STRICT CONFIDENCE UNTIL ITS OFFICIAL PUBLICATION.

2. WE LEARNED IN SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSIONS WITH MEMBERS OF LARDINOIS' CABINET THAT THE POULTRY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE WAS UNABLE IN ITS MEETING

OF OCTOBER 7 TO RENDER A FAVORABLE OPINION ON THE COMMISSION'S PROPOSAL TO ELIMINATE EXPORT SUBSIDIES BECAUSE 7 OF THE 9 MEMBER STATES REPRESENTED WERE AGAINST IT. NEVERTHELESS, THE COMMISSION DECIDED BY WRITTEN PROCEDURE ON OCTOBER 10 TO ELIMINATE THE BROILER EXPORT SUBSIDY EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1. UNDER THE RULES OF THE ROME TREATY, THE COUNCIL COULD VOTE TO SET ASIDE THE COMMISSION DECISION, THOUGH OUR SOURCE THOUGHT THIS VERY UNLIKELY. MEMBER STATES WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO RAISE THIS ISSUE AT THE OCTOBER 22 SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURAL MINISTERS.

3. OUR SOURCES SAID THAT ONE REASON FOR THE ELIMINATION OF THE EXPORT SUBSIDY ON BROILERS WAS THAT THE STOCKS HELD BY BROILER PLANTS HAVE BEEN DRAWN DOWN. IN ADDITION, THE COMMISSION HAS ARGUED THAT IN VIEW OF THE SHORTAGE OF GRAIN, IT IS FOOLISH TO SUBSIDIZE GRAIN EXPORTS IN THE FORM OF POULTRY AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS. (HOWEVER, THIS APPROACH DOES NOT APPLY TO DAIRY PRODUCTS.) IN THIS CONNECTION, OUR SOURCE SAID THAT THE COMMISSION ALSO INTENDS TO ELIMINATE EXPORT SUBSIDIES ON EGG AND PORK PRODUCTS AT A LATER DATE. GREENWALD

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